# Monroe County Early Intervention Program PIP Meeting Minutes October 15, 2012 1:00-2:30 pm

## **Announcements/Sharing**

## **El Agenda**

# **Updates**

6 families participated in the LEICC Ice Cream Social. A gift card will be presented to the 2 OSC's who each had 2 families attend.

The Public Forum was a success. Discussed need for further data collection.

All County Conference Call- there is continued work on budget reform. Step one of providers entering into contracts with the state has started. Providers have been updating contact info as requested. The OSC rate should roll out with the new state budget. No details regarding the state fiscal agent yet.

Ann Marie will be following up with the law department regarding the county taking over the maintenance of the site. <u>Action</u>: In the interim, please continue to contact Renee Schumacher at CCHS regarding the Provider availability grid.

County will e-mail the dates of the most current staff rosters. <u>Action</u>: If indicated in the email, please send an updated roster to Ann Marie.

The last OSC quarterly meeting included a discussion around El groups. This discussion will be continued at the next quarterly meeting on 10/18. OSC will be observing groups in the following months. They will be utilizing a groups observation form. Info gathered will be shared with other OSC's at the February meeting. Action: Please send Debbie Tetlow an e-mail if you have groups & let her know who the OSC should contact to set up their observation. We will also be reviewing the process of sending paper work to agencies for NYEIS & KIDS cases.

Pia noted that Step by Step has been having some difficulty with the county faxes getting to the correct SC. They are using the correct list of fax numbers. Jodi (Bright Start) questioned whose responsibility it is to send the MDE to providers. The process is for ISC's to submit the MDE report with the initial IFSP paperwork to El clerical staff. Clerical staff will then send one copy of the MDE & Initial IFSP to each agency on the routing sheet. It would be the agencies responsibility to disperse additional copies to therapists. Action: This will be discussed at the OSC quarterly meeting and brought back to PIP next month.

Co-visits for the Purpose of a Team Meeting & Co-visits Policy for Service Coordinators and Providers policies were reviewed. Please call Chasa (753-5264) with questions.

Discussion regarding corporate waivers. <u>Action</u>: Pia to send an email she rec'd from the state to Ann Marie who will in turn forward it to providers.

## **Pre-School Agenda**

Ann Marie spoke with Karen S at Kinney re whether or not the NPI database can be used to check providers, particularly physicians against the Medicaid exclusion checklists. In summary:

- -There is no advantage or ability to use the NPI database to check on excluded providers. The only way to do this is to check the physicians against the Medicaid excluded lists.
- NPI #'s on the scripts is not a requirement yet, but likely will be in the future.
- Q- What if you receive multiple "hits" on a common name?
  - A- If multiples of the same name comes up, contact that provider. They either need to give you their DOB or go in and enter their own SS#, print out the document that states that they are not on the exclusion list, and send it to you for your records.
- Ann Marie followed up on providers' request that the upload instructions be modified to include the info on electronic signature. Karen said there's only 1 agency that uploads and they are aware of this, so she questioned my request that the upload instructions be modified to include the info about supervisor's signature.
- Ann Marie checked with Karen re the ability for administrators to access list of Medicaid eligible children only. She confirmed that administrators have access to do this. (CP Rochester- Karen S is checking with IT to grant Pat G access.) As

you know, children's Medicaid status changes all the time so only checking the physicians of only those children who are Medicaid eligible may not capture all claims that are reimbursable by Medicaid.

- Discussion re the Medicaid requirement that providers check the Medicaid exclusion lists for physicians who sign orders/scripts:
  - Per Medicaid training, providers need to verify MD and check exclusion list.
  - Providers' concern is that this is a grueling process. You cannot search by NPI number and cannot use address to confirm as the MD may have another address.

Next meeting: Wed. November 14<sup>th</sup> from 2-4pm at CCHS on 119 Brockley Road 14609 off Winton Road near Empire Blvd